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DECLARATION OF A NATIONAL MONUMENT

By virtue of the powers vested in me by section 10 (1) of the National Monuments Act, 1969 (Act 28 of 1969), I, Johannes Petrus van der Spuy, Minister of National Education, hereby declare the lighthouse at Green Point, Cape Town, to be a national monument

*Description*

The historic lighthouse on Erf 1417, Green Point, situate in the City of Cape Town, Division of the Cape, measuring 7292 square feet. Certificate of Consolidated Title 4018/1958, dated 26 March 1958.

*Historical and Architectural Interest*

This lighthouse, which was built by Hermann Schutte and probably also designed by him, is the oldest structure of its kind in South Africa. Construction work started on 14 September 1821, and the lighthouse was officially opened on 12 April 1824. It originally consisted of a tower surmounted by two lanterns. The present light was erected in 1865, improved in 1906 and electrified in 1929. Standing 65 feet above high water, it has an intensity of 850,000 candelas and a range of 13¾ miles. A foghorn was installed in 1926.

J. P. VAN DER SPUY, Minister of National Education